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BEGIN SUMMARY. LOGISTICS SPECIALIZATION SUB-GROUP AT ITS JAN 29
MEETING RECEIVED EUCOM BRIEFING ON LINES OF COMMUNICATION (LOC)
PROPOSAL OF US AND CONSIDERED REPORT OF A SUB-GROUP WORKING PARTY.
WORKING PARTY REPORT CONSISTS OF A NUMBER OF DOCUMENTS TO INCLUDE:

(A) A DRAFT SUB-GROUP REPORT FOR SPRING MINISTERAL; (2) COMPILATION
OF SURVEY OF ON-GOING LOGISTICS COOPERATIVE EFFORTS; (3) ANALYSIS
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OF SURVEY AND RECOMMENDED PROJECTS FOR SPECIALIZATION. WASHINGTON
COMMENT IS REQUESTED UPON DOCUMENTS WHICH ARE BEING POUCHED
BECAUSE OF BULK. US PROPOSAL OF LOC FOR LOGISTICS SPECIALIZATION
WAS CONSIDERED SUFFICIENTLY PROMISING TO ESTABLISH NEW WORKING

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PARTY TO ASSIST IN IDENTIFYING SPECIFICS. END SUMMARY.

1. ASST SEC GEN TUCKER CHAIRED THE DEC 29 LOGISTICS SPECIALIZATION SUB-GROUP MEETING. NEW ATTENDEES INCLUDED MR. DEVEGLIA (DIRECTOR, NATO CIVIL EMERGENCY PLANNING), BGEN LINK (GERMAN DELEGATION), AND MR. CANTY (CANADIAN DELEGATION). AS PROPOSED AT LAST MEETING (REFTEL) EUCOM TEAM BRIEFED SUB-GROUP ON LOC CONCEPT FOR SATISFYING US MOVEMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR ITS PLANNED REINFORCEMENT OF EUROPE. BRIEFING WAS WELL RECEIVED. QUESTIONS ASKED INDICATED AN IN-DEPTH CONSIDERATION BY SUB-GROUP MEMBERS OF THE ANALYSIS UPON WHICH THE STUDY WAS BASED.

2. SUB-GROUP NEXT HEARD A REPORT FROM THE WORKING PARTY WHICH IT ESTABLISHED AT THE DEC 20 MEETING TO COMPILE AND ANALYZE THE RESULTS OF THE SURVEY OF ON-GOING LOGISTICS COOPERATIVE EFFORTS. THE MAJOR PART OF THE WORKING PARY'S REPORT CONSISTED OF A NUMBER OF DOCUMENTS WHICH COULD BECOME PART OF THE LOGISTICS SUB-GROUP PRGORESS REPORT FOR THE SRPING MINISTERIAL. THE DOCUMENTS INCLUDE:

A. PARTIAL DRAFT SUB-GROUP REPORT FOR MINISTERS (SECTIONS ON CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS ARE IN OUTLINE FORM WITH NO SPECIFICS).

B. FIVE ANNEXES WHICH CONTAIN THE COMPILATION OF SURVEY RESULTS.

C. ANALYSIS OF SURVEY RESULTS. (CONTAINS PROPOSED PROJECTS OR AREAS WHICH WORKING PARTY RECOMMENDS AS BEING PROMISING FOR SPECIALIZATION. US LOC PROPOSAL IS RECOMMENDED AS THE MOST PROMISING AREA FOR LOGISTICS SPECIALIZATION.)

DOCUMENTS ARE BEING POUCHED THIS DATE FOR ATTENTION OF COL THOMPSON IN STATE AND COL DENSON IN DEFENSE.

AFTER CONSIDERABLE DISCUSSION OF ALL DRAFT DOCUMENTS, THE SUB-GROUP DECIDED THAT A REVIEW OF THE DOCUMENTS BY NATIONAL AUTHORITIES WAS THE APPROPRITAE NEXT STEP. NATIONAL COMMENTS RESULTING FROM CONFIDENTIAL

THIS REVIEW ARE REQUESTED IN THREE WEEKS TO ALLOW FOR ANY NEEDED REVISION PRIOR TO NEXT SUB-GROUP MEETING. ACTION REQUESTED: WASHINGTON COMMENTS UPON DRAFT DOCUMENTS BY COB FEB 18.

4. THE SUB-GROUP NEXT DEVELOPED A METHOD FOR ACCOMPLISHING THE SUB-GROUP'S DETAILED EVALUATION OF THE SPECIALIZATION PROJECTS RECOMMENDED

BY THE WORKING PARTY. TO RESPOND TO THE SERIOUS MINISTERIAL DESIRE TO DISCOVER WORTHWHILE SPECIALIZATION PROJECTS, IT WAS FELT THAT MOST OF THE RECOMMENDED PROJECTS REQUIRED MORE SPECIFIC INFORMATION TO ASSIST IN DETERMINING THE PRECISE AREAS WHERE SPECIALIZATION IS FEASIBLE AND COST EFFECTIVE. THE SUB-GROUP WILL OBTAIN THE VIEW OF APPROPRIATE ORGAINZATIONS WITHIN NATO

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ON THE RECOMMENDED SPECIALIZATION PROJECTS.

5. WARTIME LOC SPECIALIZATION PROPOSAL OF THE US. IT WAS GENERALLY AGREED THAT THE LOC PROPOSAL CONTAINED A NUMBER OF SPECIFIC AREAS WHICH COULD BE CANDIDATES FOR SPECIALIZATION. HOWEVER, IN LINE WITH SUB-GROUP APPROACH IN PARA 4 ABOVE IDENTIFICATION OF THE PRECISE NATURE OF THE SPECIFIC AREAS INVOLVED WOULD REQUIRE THE ASSISTANCE OF OTHER NATO ORGANIZATIONS. AT CHAIRMAN TUCKER'S SUGGESTION, THE SUB-GROUP DECIDED TO CONVENE ANOTHER WORKING PARTY TO ADDRESS THIS QUESTION.
DR. TUCKER WOULD CHAIR THIS WORKING PARTY AND WOULD INCLUDE REPRESENTATIVES FROM SHAPE, THE SENIOR CIVIL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE (SCEPC), PLANNING BOARD FOR EUROPEAN INLAND SURFACE TRANSPORT (PBEIST), AND A REPRESENTATIVE FROM EUCOM TO ACT IN A CONSULTANT CAPACITY. DR. TUCKER EXPECTS TO HOLD A MEETING OF THIS WORKING GROUP IN THE NEAR FUTURE TO INVESTIGATE WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE AND BY WHOM IN ORDER TO ACCOMPLISH THE WARTIME LOC PROPOSAL. THE RESULTS OF THIS CONFERENCE WILL BE REPORTED AT THE NEXT SUB-GROUP MEETING.

6. THE NEXT MEETING OF THE SUB-GROUP WAS FIXED FOR FEB 28 AT BRUSSELS. RUMSFELD

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